

December 1, 2003

Mary Cottrell, Secretary  
Department of Telecommunications & Energy  
One South Station, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Boston, MA 02110

**RE: New England Power Company –  
Petition for Zoning Exemption in Salem, Massachusetts**

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing are one (1) original and six (6) hard copies of the following materials:

- New England Power Company's Petition for Zoning Exemption in Salem, Massachusetts
- The Department's Zoning Exemption Checklist pertinent to this filing
- Pre-filed testimony and exhibits of the witnesses supporting the Petition
- Motion for a Protective Order Concerning Critical Energy Infrastructure Information
- A form of notice of a public hearing, for publication in The Salem Evening News (submitted in multiples in hardcopy and on one diskette in Word)

The above materials are also captured in Word or PDF formats on the enclosed CD.

Also included in this package is a check for \$100.00, payable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to cover the required filing fee.

An additional copy of this filing letter is enclosed, to be date- and time-stamped and returned to me in the attached self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Paige Graening

Enclosures